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Tsuyoshi YOKOTA, et al.

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MANAGEMENT METHOD AND
INVENTORY ALLOCATION
MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

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ABSTRACT

An order parts list based on order information can be recorded on a memory
storage of a computer after allocating parts existing in an inventory list. After the
order is confirmed, it can be determined whether parts in the parts order list exist
in a latest inventory list. By referring to order priority information that indicates
order shipment priority for each part listed on the latest inventory list, a confirmed
parts list can be created for reallocating the parts having the highest priority.

Processing for reallocating parts allocated at the time of ordering after the order is
confirmed can thus be optimized.

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